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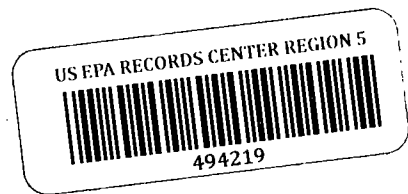
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December 16, 1985

Mr. Steven E. Kurmas
Mr. Jeffrey A. McKeen
500 Griswold
Detroit, Michigan 48226

RE: Michigan Consolidated Gas (MichCon)
Coal Gasification Sites

Dear Mr. Kurmas and McKeen:

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) staff have reviewed the reports covering the preliminary investigation at 15 MichCon sites. MDNR staff are not satisfied with the findings of the preliminary investigation.

The contamination at the MichCon sites poses a threat to the public health and environment, and is a violation of Section 6(a) of the Michigan Water Resources Commission Act, Act 245, Public Act 1929. The nature and extent of the contamination warrants detailed investigation and feasibility studies for cleanup at each site.

Mr. Tom Work and Everett Bole, representing MDNR staff were verbally informed by you on August 5, 1985, that MichCon planned to undertake further studies at two sites (Greenville/Grand Rapids District; unspecified site/Detroit District). MichCon proposed to use investigation methods at these two sites as a model for further investigations at the 13 sites owned or operated by MichCon. To date, the status of these investigations is unknown.

Therefore, I am requesting you to forward to me work plans, and any other appropriate documents. These plans must describe in detail the steps MichCon intends to take to determine the nature and extent of contamination at these sites. I will assign appropriate staff to review and approve the plans. In this way, MDNR staff can be assured that remedial action necessary at these sites can be accomplished as quickly and effectively as possible. I am also requesting that MichCon forward the work plans and other documents to me on or before January 31, 1986.

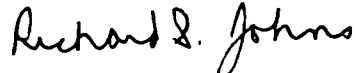
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Failure to comply with this request will result in my requesting our Environmental Enforcement Division to initiate appropriate action to resolve this matter. Please contact Ms. Wanda Neal at telephone number 517-373-2794 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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517-373-1947

cc: Mr. Don Inman, Chief, Environmental Enforcement Division
Mr. Tom Work, Chief, Compliance Section #1
Mr. David Dennis, Chief, Compliance Section #2